



Region 2 Headquarters  
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Dear Interested Citizen:

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP) is proposing to sell a 0.09-acre parcel from the boundary of its Stuart Mill Bay Fishing Access Site (FAS; Georgetown Lake, Deer Lodge County) to an adjacent private landowner. The purpose of the sale is to provide the adjacent landowner with additional access along an existing road segment across a small portion of the FAS to their private property, in a manner that does not affect public use or the recreational or habitat values of the larger FAS.

A draft environmental assessment (EA) has been prepared, describing the proposal. The EA document may be viewed on FWP's Internet website <http://fwp.mt.gov> ("News & Public Notices" at top of webpage, then "Public Notices"). The EA may also be obtained by mail from Region 2 FWP, 3201 Spurgin Rd., Missoula 59804; by phoning 406-542-5500; or by emailing [shrose@mt.gov](mailto:shrose@mt.gov).

Comments may be directed to Region 2 FWP (Sharon Rose) at the mail or email addresses above. Comments must be received by FWP no later than September 30, 2021.

FWP will hold a field tour for the proposal on September 2 at 4:00 p.m. at Stuart Mill Bay FAS. Directions: From MT Highway 1 west of Anaconda, turn west (between mm 24 and 25) onto Georgetown Lake Road and drive approximately 1.4 mile to the entrance to the FAS; then drive in a few hundred feet to the parking lot on the right.

As part of the decision-making process under the Montana Environmental Policy Act (MEPA), I expect to issue the Decision Notice for this EA soon after the end of the comment period. The Montana Fish & Wildlife Commission has the final decision-making authority for FWP's FAS land actions, and the Commission could be asked to render its decision on this proposal at its regularly scheduled October 28, 2021 meeting. Closer to the meeting date, please see FWP's website ("About FWP," then "F&W Commission") for an agenda and meeting details.

Sincerely,

Randy Arnold  
Regional Supervisor

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